

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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CHAIRPERSON Mrs. Eleanor R. Montano

VICE CHAIRPERSON Mrs. Helen H. Stathatos

Mr. Frank S. Bacio Mr. Vito Cannella Ms. Rita Hall Mr. John A. Hammargren Mr. Carl E. Moore

MINUTES OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING JULY 5, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Montano called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chair Montano led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ATTENDANCE

Present
Chair Eleanor R. Montano
Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos
Vito Cannella
Rita Hall
John A. Hammargren
Carl E. Moore

Excused Absence Frank Bacio

Others Present

Jim Corbett, Assistant Chief, Commission Services Division Audra Galang, Commission Services Staff

APPROVAL OF JUNE 28, 2006 MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Hammargren, seconded by Commissioner Cannella and unanimously carried, the minutes of June 28, 2006 were approved as presented.

CHAIR'S REPORT

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There was none.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of Commissioner Bacio, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

STAFF REPORT

Mr. Corbett reported the following:

 He received a call from Ms. Elizabeth Howard, Department of Children and Family Services and she reported that there is no formal process for group home to complain about social workers. She said they should follow the chain of command and report problems to the social worker's supervisor.

CORRESPONDENCE

Vice Chair Stathatos reported on a newspaper article from the Los Angeles Times dated June 26, 2006 on foster parents forming an information sharing group.

FACILITY/GROUP INSPECTION REPORTS

Pico Rivera Station

Chair Montano and Commissioner Hammargren visited this station on July 3rd and found that it has become run down since their last visit. They found the following <u>areas fo concern:</u> carpets need replacement; bathrooms need cleaning; floors need mopping; walls need painting; outside the building needs sweeping; and trash is piled up in the garage. Commissioners brought the matter to the attention of the Captain at the station. He reported that work orders have been sent but the current priority is Bizcailuz Center.

New Dawn Group Home - 72, #1

Commissioners Hammargren and Hall visited this facility on June 29th, and found no one at home.

Jay Cee Dee Children's Home Inc.

Vice Chair Stathatos and Commissioner Cannella received the report and found that all previous issues of concern were resolved.

Optimist Boy's Home – 52, #2

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Vice Chair Stathatos and Commissioner Cannella visited t his facility on July 3rd, and found every thing in excellent condition.

Rancho San Antonio – 60, #2

Vice Chair Stathatos and Commissioner Cannella visited this large facility on June 29th. They found it to be a very good facility.

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Montano reminded Commissioners and staff that the group picture will be taken during next week's meeting.

Commissioner Hammargren announced the retirement of Chief Administrative Officer, Mr. David Janssen and Dr. Sanders of the Department of Children and Family Services.

Chair Montano and Commissioner Hall announced the promotion of Deputy Chief Earl Paysinger to the Assistant Chief, Office of Operations, Los Angeles County Police Department (LAPD).

Chair Montano thanked Commissioners Hall and Hammargren for their excellent remarks in the interview with the Daily Breeze newspaper reporter on the Long Beach, Compton and Torrance Courthouses.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Montano adjourned the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Corbett Staff